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LETTER DATED 18 AUGUST 1994 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF IRAN TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

Upon instructions from my Government, I have the honour to transmit the English translation of a note verbale dated 20 July 1994 from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Islamic Republic of Iran to the Embassy of the Republic of Iraq at Tehran (see annex).

It would be highly appreciated if the present letter and its annex were circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Kamal KHARRAZI
Ambassador
Permanent Representative

Annex

Note verbale dated 20 July 1994 from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Islamic Republic of Iran addressed to the Embassy of the Republic of Iraq at Tehran

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Islamic Republic of Iran presents its compliments to the Embassy of the Republic of Iraq in Tehran and has the honour to inform the latter of the following:

The judicial authorities of the Islamic Republic of Iran have issued the arrest warrant No. 30/73/11/356 for Mr. Majid Esfandiari, who has been charged with bombing, murdering the Rev. Iraj (Tatabous) Mikaelian and the Rev. Mehdi Dibaj, as well as being an accomplice in the murder of Bishop Haik Hovspian-Mehr. After committing these terrorist acts and while carrying arms, Mr. Esfandiari and his companion injured Mr. Mohammad Yazdani, an Iranian citizen, and crossed the border in the Mehran area of Ilam province and fled to Iraq.

The Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran, once again, strongly protests the presence of the terrorist organization of Monafeqin (which calls itself the People's Mojahedin Organization of Iran) in the territory of Iraq and considers the support provided by the Government of Iraq for that organization as blatant interference in the internal affairs of Iran and holds Iraq fully responsible for the criminal acts of this terrorist organization.

In accordance with the above-mentioned arrest warrant, the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran calls upon the Government of the Republic of Iraq to take urgent measures to arrest Mr. Majid Esfandiari and extradite him to Iran on the basis of principles governing bilateral relations and respect for the national sovereignty of States, and in the light of the expressed commitment by the Government of Iraq to the same.

The Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran hopes that the Government of the Republic of Iraq would thus give practical effect to its belief in good-neighbourly relations, lessening tension in bilateral relations and respect for the rules and principles of international law.